

Hydrocotyle novae-zeelandiae var. montana

BIOSTATUS

Native

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

Brown

DISTRIBUTION

Endemic. North, South, Stewart and Chatham Islands.

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2023 | Not Threatened

DETAILED TAXONOMY

FAMILY

Araliaceae

AUTHORITY

Hydrocotyle novae-zeelandiae var. *montana* Kirk

TAXONOMIC NOTES

A very distinctive variety which many botanists consider should be elevated to species rank.

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

ECOLOGY

LIFE CYCLE

Mericarps are dispersed by water and wind (Thorsen et al., 2009).

OTHER INFORMATION

EXTRA INFORMATION

Try this handy [Small-leaved Hydrocotyle Identification Guide](#) put together by Chris Ecroyd for our July 2022 issue of *Trilepidea* (p. 5)

ETYMOLOGY

hydrocotyle: From the Greek hydor 'water' and cotyle 'cup', in reference to the cup-like hollow at the base of the leaf.

novae-zeelandiae: Of New Zealand

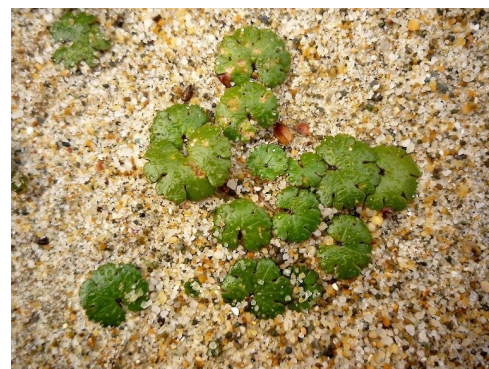
montana: From the Latin mons 'mountain', meaning growing on mountains

NVS CODE

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Stocking stream, Mt Cook. Jan. Photographer: John Smith-Dodsworth, Licence: CC BY-NC.



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PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2017 | Not Threatened

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

REFERENCING AND CITATIONS

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MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/hydrocotyle-novae-zeelandiae-var-montana/>

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